

Senate Passes Validating Act

A.B.C., C.I.O. to Sign Contract Thursday

House Deals Draft Blow; Expires at 12

Father and Teens Bans Virtually Kill Legislation

Washington, May 14.—(UP)—Administration leaders scrambled madly today to save some part of the Draft Law scheduled to expire at midnight.

A Senate-approved bill for a 45-day, stop-gap extension won House approval last night, but only after the House tacked on amendments to ban drafting of teen-agers and fathers.

These changes sent the issue back to the Senate for 11th hour action. If the Senate fails to accept the House amendments, the Draft Law probably will expire at midnight, as there hardly seems time for a Senate-House conference to iron out differences.

The Senate is committed to consider labor legislation, and it was not certain that it would agree even to vote on the Draft bill.

House Administration leaders said the two amendments adopted by the House virtually killed the draft bill. If the Senate fails to accept the House amendments, the Draft Law probably will expire at midnight, as there hardly seems time for a Senate-House conference to iron out differences.

The 45-day draft extension without any exemption for teen-agers would have caught 50,000 high school and college youths who have been deferred until the end of school terms this spring, Selective Service officials estimated.

The House adopted the amendment exempting teen-agers and fathers by a vote of 213 to 154. The extension itself was voted, 280 to 84.

House Democratic leader John W. McCormack and Democratic whip John J. Sparkman said the Senate could not possibly act on the measure in time to prevent the Selective Service Law from expiring.

Washington, May 14.—(UP)—Congressional failure to extend the Selective Service Act would end not only drafting, but also:

1. THE SMITH-CONNALLY ACT.—This amendment to the Draft Law authorizes governmental seizure of vital strike-bound plants or mines. Congressmen dispute whether President Truman, for instance, would have power to take over the coal mines owned by the Smith-Connally Law.

2. VETERANS RE-EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS.—The Draft Law provides that any veteran is entitled to a job comparable to the one he held before entering the service if he applies for it 90 days after discharge.

3. FORCIBLE RETENTION OF CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS.—Selective Service officials say 8,000 objectors now held in camps must be freed at midnight unless the Draft Law is extended.

'Brownout' Not Marked

Despite "brownout" restrictions which went into effect yesterday by order of the State Public Utilities Commission, advertising and display lights burned brightly in downtown Waterbury last night. A tour of the business district showed far less than majority compliance with the conservation measures ordered to save electric current during the coal crisis.

More general compliance with the P.U.C. coal-saving directive is expected as merchants become better acquainted with the regulations. The advertisements today, the Connecticut Light & Power Company carries the text of the commission's conservation order.

The local utility today also published an advertisement appealing to consumers to reduce the use of illuminating gas as much as possible. Industrial and domestic users are asked to use gas as little as possible.

The P.U.C. brownout and gas-saving orders will be in effect for at least the remainder of May, it was announced today. They will be extended beyond that time unless the coal situation has shown a great improvement and an adequate supply for electric and gas companies is assured.

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Hoover Reports to Truman



Former President Herbert Hoover, center, reports to President Truman at the White House on his round-the-world study of famine conditions. Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson, right, sits in on the conference.

Tight Blockade Thrown Around P. & W. Gates

West Hartford, May 14.—(UP)—The C.I.O.-U.E. threw up a tight blockade at the Pratt & Whitney Division of Niles-Bement-Pond Company, today and dispatched "flying squadrons" to patrol the homes of supervisors and others who accepted the company's invitation to return to work.

'Big 4' Vetoes On Up Trend

Byrnes and Bevin Reject Red Plan

Paris, May 14.—(UP)—Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov offered today to withdraw Russian troops from Bulgaria if the United States and Great Britain would pull theirs out of Italy.

Secretary of State James F. Byrnes proposed that the "Big 4" foreign ministers start discussion of a peace treaty with Austria. Molotov vetoed the proposal.

The Council of Ministers' was in plenary session for 2 1/2 hours. Byrnes and Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin of Britain refused to make a deal for the withdrawal of Allied troops from Italy in exchange for a Russian evacuation of Bulgaria.

The Council discussed a report by experts on the Franco-Italian frontier, but took up none of the major issues of the Italian treaty.

The day's second session was scheduled to start at 4 P. M. (11 A. M. EDT).

China was revealed to have sent a note to all four ministers asking permission to send a representative to their discussion of Germany, which was expected to begin tomorrow. The request was in line with an agreement at Potsdam.

Byrnes, Bevin and Georges Bidault of France agreed. Molotov indicated opposition. He said that since the discussion was merely preliminary, it would be preferable to limit it to the four occupying powers.

Li-Gen, Lucius D. Clay and Robert Murphy, American military and political representatives in Germany, arrived today preliminary to the discussion of Germany. They attended the morning session.

Molotov's offer was contingent on insertion in the Italian peace treaty of a clause requiring that all U. S. and British troops be withdrawn from Italy as soon as the treaty is signed.

Bevin countered with the assertion that if the Council could start discussing Austria at once and could agree on the withdrawal of Allied troops from Austria, the problem would be solved automatically.

There would be no further need for communications lines through Bulgaria.

Ghavam Explains Collapse Causes

Tehran, May 1.—(UP)—Premier Ahmad Ghavam disclosed today that his negotiations with a mission from Azerbaijan broke down over its demand for the right and power to appoint the governor general and military commander of the province.

Ghavam refused, maintaining that the central government itself should make the appointment. The same snag was hit with respect to the military commander.

Ghavam said the Tabriz demands went beyond the seven-point program he had laid down as the basis for a settlement, and he could not agree to them.

Ratification Set Tomorrow

Strike Enters 100th Day Here

As the American Brass Company strike today entered its 100th day, signing of a new contract which will officially terminate Waterbury's longest strike was tentatively set for Thursday.

The negotiating committee of the C. I. O. Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers Union today completed its draft of the proposed contract, whose terms were approved by A. B. C. locals in this city, Torrington and Ansonia at special meetings Sunday. The company's draft was to be sent to the union committee this afternoon.

It was announced this morning by J. Harold Madden, director of industrial relations. After any necessary minor corrections, the formal contract will be submitted to the C. I. O. locals in the three cities tomorrow for ratification. The expected affirmative vote will clear the way for the ceremony officially ending the strike Thursday.

"We'll get our plants operating as speedily as possible once the contract is signed," said Mr. Madden.

Additional maintenance employees will be called in once the strike is over, to prepare A. B. C. plants in the three cities for resumption of operations. No large-scale return of workers to their jobs is expected before Monday.

Negotiations to end the A. B. C. strikes in Buffalo and Detroit were in progress again today. The unions representing American Brass employees in these three cities have different contracts from those covering the company's Connecticut employees. The same wage agreement as in Connecticut, providing a raise of 18 1/2 cents an hour, is expected.

Picket lines will not be withdrawn by the union until after the new contract is signed. Similarly, the company declines to send additional maintenance personnel through the lines and awaits the end of picketing before readying the plants for production.

The schedule of contract ratification meetings by the M.M.S.W. locals tomorrow is as follows: Waterbury, Garden Hall, 4:30 P. M.; Torrington, 5:30 P. M.; Ansonia, 6:30 P. M.

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1,800 Jews Intercepted

Jerusalem, May 14.—(UP)—Eighteen hundred Jewish refugees, seeking illegal entry into Palestine landed at Haifa today and were taken to Ashdod clearance camps in British Army trucks.

Their ship, which sailed from Constanta, Romania, was intercepted yesterday by a British destroyer and escorted into Haifa harbor. The refugees were en route to Tel Aviv.

Arab tension in Palestine increased when the illegal entry attempt became known. The Jews will be allowed to enter Palestine, but the number will be deducted from the regular monthly immigration quota.

Meanwhile, the Arab Higher Committee announced that nationwide protest demonstrations would be held coincident with the arrival of 1,004 Jewish refugees from La Spezia, Italy.

J. H. H. Pollock, British district commissioner for Jerusalem, summoned Jamal Hussein, head of the Arab Committee, and warned him against "any breach of law and order" in connection with the scheduled demonstrations.

Legal Fleming Release Sought

Belfast, May 14.—(UP)—Attorneys today launched a legal effort to obtain the release of David Fleming, Irish Republican Army leader in the 56th day of a hunger strike at Belfast Prison.

Fleming's condition was much weaker and at his own request he received the last sacraments of the Catholic Church.

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Bulletins

HOUSING BILL GOES TO GOVERNOR

Hartford, May 14.—(UP)—The House today concurred with the Senate in approving a bill permitting the State Housing Authority to purchase Federal property, and obtain Federal aid, for veterans' housing. It now goes to Gov. R. E. Baldwin for signature.

P. & W. NEGOTIATIONS TO BE RESUMED

Hartford, May 14.—(UP)—Gov. R. E. Baldwin announced today, following a conference with company-union leaders, that "negotiations will be resumed" in the strike at the Pratt & Whitney division of Niles-Bement-Pond Company, West Hartford.

SERVICES GIVEN MERGER PLAN DEADLINE

Washington, May 14.—(UP)—President Truman has asked the Army and Navy to agree on a unification plan for the armed forces by May 31, the White House disclosed today.

SIAMESE TWINS DIE

Portland, Ore., May 14.—(UP)—The "Siamese Twins" born here a week ago to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hurst of Deep River, Wash., died at Portland General Hospital today. Their deaths were 25 minutes apart.

A.F.L. FORBIDDEN TO ORGANIZE FOOD DEALERS

Detroit, May 14.—(UP)—The Wayne County Circuit Court today issued an injunction prohibiting the A.F.L. Teamsters Union from picketing or attempting to organize any of the country's 6,000 independent food dealers.

Settlement Prospects High

John L. Demands \$70,000,000-Year Levy for Welfare

BY UNITED PRESS

Educators' Incentive Pay Urged

Modernizing City Program Studied By Waterbury Board

Establishment of an incentive pay program in the Waterbury Education Department, to apply to all high school and grammar school teachers and principals, was proposed by the chairman of the Board of Education's finance committee at a meeting of the board last night.

The teachers' and finance units of the board were assigned to make a thorough study of the proposal.

Commissioner Edward D. Bergin, finance committee chairman, said committees of the board had spent considerable time in studying pay schedules and realized "the need of modernizing" the local set-up.

Need of an incentive pay program was cited by the commissioner, who pointed out, however, that a vast expenditure of money would be necessary before such a program could get into full swing.

An expenditure of \$140,000 would be necessary before grammar school teachers' pay could be brought up to the level "where you could start incentive pay," Bergin said.

Extending the cost of an incentive pay program over a period of five or six years was proposed by Bergin, who commented, "We should take the initiative to do something now."

Under the incentive program teachers would receive raises for additional studies, and starting salaries would be based on the amount of their schooling.

Pointing to the requests for salary raises that have come from teachers and principals, Bergin indicated that total revision of the salary program would be necessitated if any changes were to be made.

"We can't answer our principals if our lower brackets don't compare favorably," Bergin commented.

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Air Force Hero Regains Sight

Syracuse, N. Y., May 14.—(UP)—An eye operation has restored the sight of Forrest L. Vosler, 23, the flyer who begged his comrades to toss him overboard to lighten the load in their plane which was crippled while flying over Europe.

The operation for the removal of a traumatic cataract on the left eye was performed by Dr. Arthur J. Bedell, Albany. Tests taken yesterday showed that Vosler is now able to "read perfectly either at a distance or close up."

Vosler had his right eye shot out in combat and he begged his comrades to toss him overboard so the plane could make it back to its base in England. They refused. The plane crash landed in the English Channel and Vosler saved the lives of two of his comrades.

He was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor.

House Recess Delays Bill

Printer Is Late On Making Copies

BULLETIN

Hartford, May 14.—The Validating Act sponsored by the City of Waterbury was approved by the Senate here this afternoon shortly after 2 o'clock. There were no discussions.

The measure was sent to the House, but as that branch of the General Assembly was in recess this afternoon no action could be taken.

It is expected that the House in session tomorrow will concur with the action of the Senate.

By JAMES M. MOORE

State Capitol, Hartford.—The Waterbury bill to validate the 1945 assessment stumbled into unexpected difficulty today when local State representatives and city authorities discovered, upon arrival here today, that the bill had not yet been returned from the printers.

At press time, Sen. Patrick Wallace (D-Waterbury), had not yet received the printed copies necessary before the Senate would take formal vote. Since the House adjourned shortly after noon, convening the bill will not get to the lower chamber before tomorrow.

Senator Wallace was hopeful of getting the city administration act into the Senate and voted upon before the day's adjournment of that chamber. The Senate convened at noon, then recessed until 1 P. M. or shortly thereafter. The printers had notified Senator Wallace that the bills could not be forwarded to him before 1:30 at the earliest. The local colon was fearful that the rescheduled chamber might adjourn for the day before he received the bill, thus delaying its formal appearance until tomorrow.

Local legislators were told this morning that the bill was not given to the printer until late yesterday afternoon. Approved and passed upon by the Joint Finance Committee last Friday, the measure was given out by Chairman Nicholas Spellman (D-Norwich) the same day. Why it was delayed could not be determined.

The delay resulted in a somewhat hasty trip to the Capitol for Waterbury's Corporation Counsel Maurice T. Healey and special counsel William B. Fitzgerald. Both men had come to Hartford in case the legislators sought more information before voting on the bill.

An informal poll of members here indicated that the administration's act would receive no opposition in either chamber except some "courtesy" opposition, of a minor nature, in the House.

The bill, as reported previously, seeks validation of actions of the assessment board which met in session of the Board of Tax Review from June 10 to Aug. 10 for all aggrieved taxpayers and other minor phases.

Of interest here today is the State Aeronautics Bill which is slated for hearing this afternoon before the Appropriation Committee. The bill has been approved by the Aviation Committee and the Legislative Committee. Today's hearing is relative to the \$386,670 appropriation contingent to the bill for purposes of ordinary recurring expenses of the commission and the planning and development of Bradley and Trumbull fields.

Sen. Edward Egan (D-Waterbury), chairman of the Aviation Committee and one of the fathers of the bill, said today that vote would be taken sometime tomorrow. Some revisions of the measure have been made including, which means the rights of small towns to final approval of airport construction in their domain as desired by other municipalities.

Rep. Rose Wakelee (R-Wolcott) was one of the active leaders in insuring this measure. Other changes, Sen. Egan said, included the provision that not more than three men of the same political affiliation shall serve on the proposed five-man aeronautics commission. Vacancies occurring on the commission are to be left to the discretion of the Governor.

Quonset Pilots Die in Plunge

Rochester, Mass., May 14.—(UP)—Two Navy pilots attached to the Quonset, R. I., Naval Air Station, have been killed after their scout-bombers crashed in mid-air during maneuvers.

Names of the victims were withheld pending notification of kin. The accident occurred yesterday afternoon during exercises in which six planes were participating. One plane plunged into Mary's Pond near the Rochester-Marion line, while the other crashed into a cranberry bog more than a mile away and burst into flames which threatened a brushland area.

One body was recovered from the pond with grapples from three hours after the tragedy. The second body was found half buried in the ground about 100 feet from the pilot's wrecked plane.

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